STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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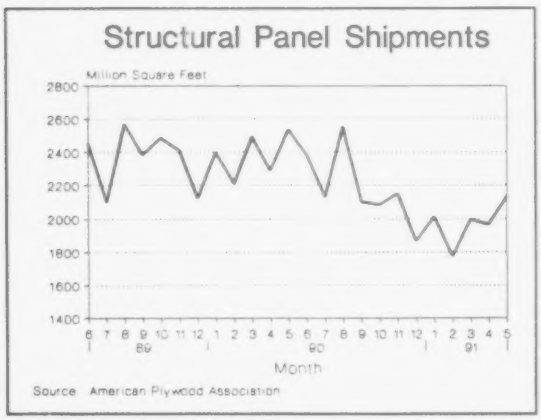
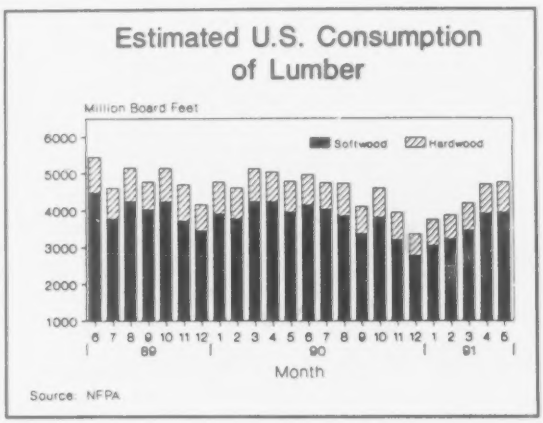
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	MAY, 1991			MAY 31, 1991		APRIL REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
		(Million Board Feet)				(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	1,054	1,127	1,253	821	2,080	1,102	1,124	1,059
West Coast Region	756	845	823	590	668	824	841	893
Inland Region	824	867	935	650	1,174	845	884	918
California Redwood Region	146	169	163	100	387	160	181	182
Other Softwoods	139	150	159	266	291	147	152	153
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	2,919	3,158	3,333	2,427	4,600	3,078	3,182	3,205
% Change - Apr. 1991	-5.2%	-0.8%	4.0%	7.8%	-4.9%			
% Change - May 1990	-7.7%	2.6%	11.5%	15.2%	-8.6%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	916	876	854	NA	NA	880	855	807
% Change - Apr. 1991	4.1%	2.4%	5.8%	NA	NA			
% Change - May 1990	-2.1%	-1.3%	-5.8%	NA	NA			
TOTAL LUMBER	3,835	4,034	4,187	NA	NA	3,958	4,037	4,012
% Change - Apr. 1991	-3.1%	-0.1%	4.4%	NA	NA			
% Change - May 1990	-6.4%	1.7%	7.5%	NA	NA			
		(Thousand Feet)				(Thousand Feet)		
FLOORING								
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	16,434	NA	10,715	11,102		17,090	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	1,591	1,524	2,021	6,382	3,348	1,497	1,056	1,190
		(Million Feet)				(Million Feet)		
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,105	2,133	2,148	1,189	420	1,949	1,965	2,360
% Change - Apr. 1991	8.0%	8.5%	-9.0%	-4.1%	10.8%			
% Change - May 1990	-13.5%	-11.8%	-8.8%	45.2%	-18.0%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	5 mo.'91	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'91	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'91	5 mo.'90
			(Million Board Feet)			
SOFTWOOD LUMBER						
Southern Pine	5,090	-5.6%	5,207	-3.2%	5,331	-1.9%
West Coast	3,683	-13.4%	3,731	-11.1%	3,869	-8.6%
Inland	3,955	-18.1%	3,936	-18.2%	4,103	-15.2%
Calif. Redwood	739	-17.1%	727	-13.8%	730	-6.6%
Other Softwoods	674	-12.1%	680	-10.8%	703	-8.0%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	14,141	-12.3%	14,281	-10.7%	14,736	-8.2%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	4,295	-5.2%	3,988	-11.3%	3,925	-7.4%
TOTAL LUMBER	18,436	-10.8%	18,269	-10.8%	18,661	-8.0%
			(Thousand Feet)			
OAK FLOORING (Bd. Ft.)	NA	NA	81,574	-6.2%	NA	NA
MAPLE FLOORING (Sq. Ft.)	7,247	14.5%	5,808	-1.1%	7,483	2.3%
			(Million Feet)			
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq.Ft.)	9,834	-15.3%	9,875	-14.8%	10,411	-10.9%

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From--	
LUMBER REGION	May '91	Apr. '91	May '90	May '91	Apr. '91	May '90
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	11,526	-7.9%	-4.7%	11,867	-9.0%	7.3%
West Coast	8,833	-1.4%	-5.5%	9,304	1.2%	7.4%
Inland	9,485	4.1%	-11.6%	9,946	0.8%	-6.6%
Calif. Redwood	1,595	-17.2%	-16.6%	1,903	-6.7%	1.2%
Other Softwoods	1,577	-4.4%	-7.9%	1,662	-4.4%	2.0%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	33,015	-3.4%	-7.8%	34,683	-3.3%	2.4%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	10,843	5.4%	-2.1%	10,087	3.5%	-1.3%
TOTAL LUMBER	43,859	-1.3%	-6.4%	44,770	-1.9%	1.5%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	May '91	Apr. '91	May '90	5 mo.'91	5 mo.'90
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total Consumption	4,755	1.1%	-0.7%	21,269	-12.6%
Softwood Consumption	3,941	0.7%	-0.4%	17,565	-12.6%
Hardwood Consumption	813	2.9%	-2.1%	3,704	-12.4%

INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		May '91	5 mo. 1991	% Change From Apr. '91	% Change From 5 mo. 1990	May '91	5 mo. 1991	% Change From Apr. '91	% Change From 5 mo. 1990
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	301.0	1,345.2	13.1%	7.3%	131,335	589,792	12.7%	0.9%
To Canada	MMBF	40.6	157.9	11.1%	-31.3%	16,849	67,283	7.9%	-27.7%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	349.8	1,535.8	21.0%	-5.4%	189,178	800,719	20.8%	-7.8%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	93.7	469.6	30.6%	-35.4%	17,672	83,998	34.3%	-42.5%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	82.1	380.6	0.2%	-0.8%	80,508	372,456	1.6%	1.0%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	18.2	119.1	-29.3%	9.4%	22,826	129,591	-21.9%	-5.9%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	169.1	749.8	4.0%	2.7%	19,973	87,547	3.2%	3.8%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	53.1	212.1	15.5%	-21.4%	4,185	17,497	14.1%	-18.7%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	18.8	79.1	20.7%	-24.8%	6,432	27,750	13.9%	-16.7%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	16.7	62.8	39.1%	13.5%	6,091	24,243	25.2%	17.6%
ALL OTHER						122,448	556,269	12.4%	13.2%
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS						602,566	2,697,421	11.8%	-2.4%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	1,084.5	4,629.4	8.9%	-13.8%	242,013	962,480	14.0%	-17.8%
From Canada	MMBF	1,076.3	4,595.0	8.6%	-14.1%	236,748	942,223	13.6%	-18.6%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.3	2.1	3.8%	-63.9%	182	1,546	-12.5%	-31.3%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	1.8	13.3	-24.4%	-35.3%	700	4,512	-19.1%	-30.1%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	19.6	96.1	14.0%	-16.2%	12,249	69,154	10.7%	-5.0%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	0.5	2.6	3.1%	-47.1%	489	2,747	-24.0%	-44.0%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	121.2	546.2	10.7%	-23.4%	11,332	55,805	-5.8%	-21.3%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	181.1	937.0	17.2%	-12.2%	36,531	189,607	14.2%	-15.0%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	118.3	129.8	4422.9%	-56.1%	183	974	-18.3%	-95.2%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	18.2	82.6	2.6%	-38.7%	5,067	21,676	15.8%	-35.5%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	0.4	3.1	-81.1%	-87.8%	142	638	-36.0%	-76.2%
OSB/WAFERBOARD	MMSF 3/8"	76.8	324.9	25.8%	-41.5%	8,670	30,844	43.8%	-42.8%
ALL OTHER						125,271	523,420	11.2%	-6.2%
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS						443,507	1,865,575	12.8%	-16.0%

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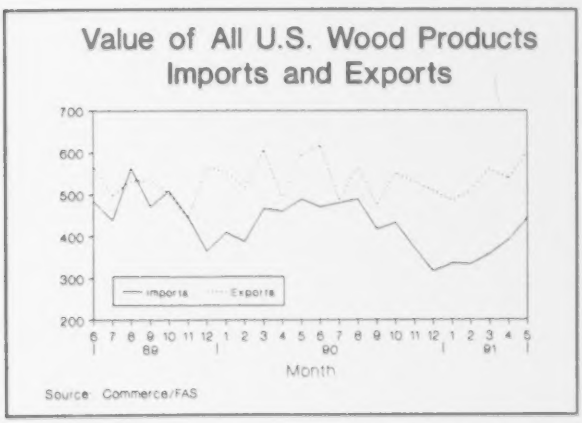

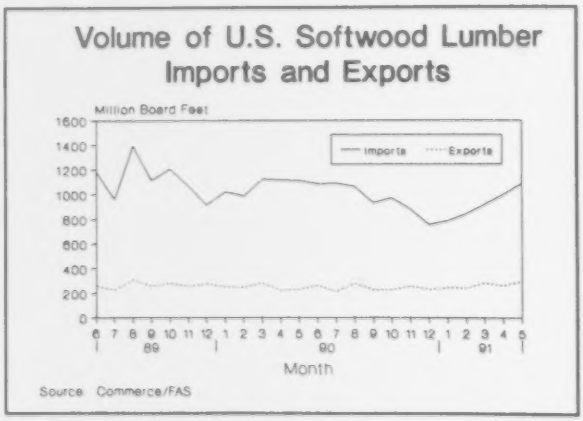

U.S. EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		May '91	% Change From April '91	YTD '91	% Change From YTD '90	May '91	% Change From April '91	YTD '91	% Change From YTD '90
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	40,374	3.6%	190,972	4.0%	27,485	9.5%	127,851	-2.3%
Softwood Logs	MBF	739	-35.5%	2,920	-56.1%	368	-34.1%	1,522	-50.1%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	46,057	39.3%	278,824	-44.3%	7,738	42.2%	45,735	-53.3%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	29,175	-0.7%	132,668	12.7%	32,513	0.8%	148,926	12.6%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	3,905	-37.6%	28,894	-13.8%	6,399	-34.7%	42,602	-12.0%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	102,738	-1.9%	479,848	NA	11,648	-5.6%	54,283	7.7%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	33	-47.8%	355	-86.9%	13	-60.6%	181	-83.9%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	2,449	63.0%	8,641	58.6%	940	18.8%	3,889	57.8%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	1,866	131.0%	5,104	-72.7%	200	22.7%	699	-63.9%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	10,366	-12.5%	54,415	24.8%
Subtotal						97,670	-0.7%	480,103	-6.2%
PACIFIC RIM									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	136,477	29.1%	625,686	7.1%	62,496	27.5%	281,209	9.2%
Softwood Logs	MBF	321,841	23.1%	1,324,975	-12.5%	181,047	22.0%	750,788	-8.9%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	4,909	77.4%	19,575	NA	1,074	83.9%	4,212	225.8%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	22,057	-1.8%	94,316	2.1%	21,433	2.7%	91,457	1.7%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	8,117	-35.6%	43,464	6.9%	10,003	-27.1%	50,831	4.5%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	31,520	15.8%	123,697	1.8%	4,205	16.7%	16,278	7.7%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	10,348	56.2%	42,841	-27.0%	2,699	49.7%	12,270	-7.9%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	12,078	49.0%	43,102	9.8%	4150	41.5%	15,210	15.3%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	9,853	-9.6%	45,434	-24.2%	599	-16.1%	3,590	-8.7%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	58,455	11.5%	276,732	16.3%
Subtotal						346,161	17.7%	1,502,577	-0.2%

Notes: (1) EEC countries include: Belgium & Luxembourg, Denmark, France, West Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom. PACIFIC RIM countries include: Australia, China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong.

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(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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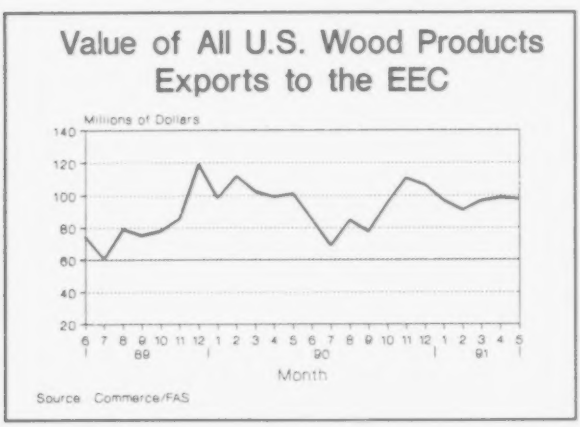

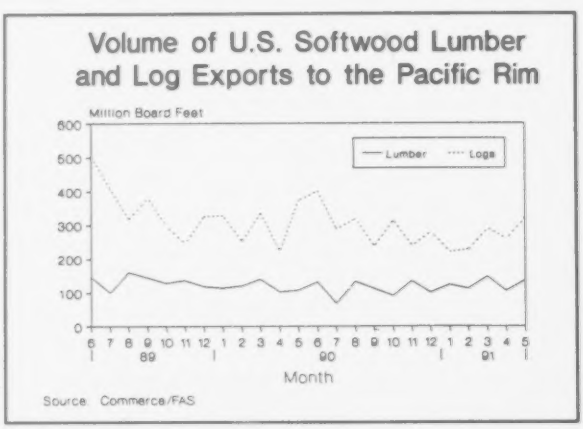

HOUSING STARTS

	June '91	May '91	June '90	6 mo.'91	6 mo.'90
	(Thousands of Units)				
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private	104.1	98.5	117.8	487.7	-25.3%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,040	989	1,187	NA	NA
Northeast	148	114	114	NA	NA
Midwest	255	114	241	NA	NA
South	389	367	532	NA	NA
West	248	291	300	NA	NA
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	83.2%			82.2%	
	May '91	Apr. '91	May '90	5 mo.'91	5 mo.'90
Shipment of Mobile Homes	16,600	15,200	13,300	67,200	-13.3%

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	June '91	May '91	----% Change From--- May '91	June '90
	(Thousands of Employees)			
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)				
All Industries	108,805	108,855	0.0%	-1.5%
All Manufacturing Industries	18,359	18,418	-0.3%	-4.3%
Lumber and Wood Products	694	696	-0.3%	-7.0%
Furniture and Fi[illegible]	483	483	0.0%	-6.0%